Department: Department of Health and Welfare

Sponsor(s): **Division: Child Welfare** Sen: Lee, Agenbroad **Program: Child Welfare** Rep: Wintrow, Amador, Troy

Description: Child Welfare IT System

1. Background:

Child Welfare requests \$2,876,000 for the remaining three months of funding for year two of the Child Welfare IT system replacement project. This includes half from the Technology Infrastructure Stabilization Fund (TISF) and half from federal Title IV-E funds. During the 2019 session, the Legislature transferred \$5,752,000 from the General Fund to TISF, but only appropriated nine months' of funding or \$4,314,000 from TISF. Given the history of this project and some confusion surrounding expenditures, the Legislature wanted to see results from the funds before appropriating a full year of funding. In FY 2020, the department plans to have the following outcomes completed: data conversion and data synchronization; case management implemented and redundant iCARE (current system) functionality turned off; provide production support for the eCabinet, implement new (non-automated) case management processes, design and document business processes for residential, permanency, and licensing; and implement the electronic interstate compact solution for the Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children.

A corresponding line item for \$10,696,000 is being requested in FY 2021 for the third and final year of this project.

2. Agency Request:

Fund	Туре	ОТ	FTP	PC	OE	СО	TB	LS	Total
0128-00	Ded	✓	0.00	0	1,438,000	0	0	0	\$1,438,000
0220-02	Fed	✓	0.00	0	1,438,000	0	0	0	\$1,438,000
TOTAL			0.00	\$0	\$2,876,000	0	0	0	\$2,876,000

3. Actions:

a. Reopen FY 2020 Budget: Requires unanimous consent or 2/3 majority to reopen.

"I request unanimous consent to reopen the fiscal year 2020 budget for the Department of Health and Welfare."

b. Motion:

"I move to the Department of Health and Welfare for the Child Welfare Program for fiscal year 2020, in onetime operating expenditures, an additional \$1,438,000 from the Technology Infrastructure Stabilization Fund and an additional \$1,438,000 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund, for a total of \$2,876,000.